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Curry Anadromous Fishermen  
Gold Beach, Oregon

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**Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday,  
MAY 11, 2006 – 10:00 AM  
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us for good food, good friends and an  
interesting and informative meeting)**

**Next BOARD MEETING Wednesday,  
MAY 3, 2006 – 10:00AM  
BISCUIT BUILDING**

Cleanup of the hatchery area is underway. Target for completion is 5-1-06.

Daily tours of the hatchery start 5-15-06 at 10:00 and continue thru Labor Day. There will be several personnel who will be assigned as tour guides. These people will be on a rotating basis.

All functions of the hatchery are proceeding on schedule with no major problems. However, additional volunteers are needed in several areas, i.e. feeders, work parties, etc,. The present group performing these functions needs support and relief. Please call Chris Underhill at 247-0396 to help.

"News and Events" - Keep up to date on the latest happenings at the hatchery. Go to [www.rogueriversalmon.org](http://www.rogueriversalmon.org)

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## **Presidents Corner**

Art Kurz

OTTER ALERT- An otter has been sighted on two different days in the raceways. We are presently trying to discover how entry was made. In addition, all holes in the flooring around the raceways will be sealed by a work party on 4-18-06. ODF&W has obtained a hunting permit for us to trap/kill the intruder. We are also using a professional to assist in the hunt.

## **Volunteer Report**

By Chris Underhill 247-0396

Hello! It's May already, flowers popping up everywhere.

The fish are growing in leaps and bounds, and if you haven't heard we have an otter that's enjoying those growing fish. The otter was spotted by Rich Watson and Scott Knox, ODFW has acquired the needed permits, so the traps are being set and hopefully the otter will be taken care of by the time this comes out.

We had a work party April 18th, a big thanks goes to Mike & Don Foss, Roy Dawson, Terry Brayer, Gary Harmon, John Epps, Gary Underhill, Chris Clifton, Art Kurz, John Weber & Me for otter proofing and cleaning the raceways, digging out the hose area and moving gravel, it really looks nice. We finished with Turkey Burgers and dishes sent by Mary Kurz, Noami Figueiredo and Sue Dawson, thank you.

Another work party will be scheduled real soon to move gravel & cleanup the hatchery, I'll be calling. Tours start May 15th and we have changed the tour time to 10AM, but feeders will still call Indian Creek RV Office to see if anyone has requested a tour. New tour time is still a work in progress more info. later.

Riley Creek 2nd grader's toured the hatchery April 19th. Mrs. Boley, Mr. Vorester & Mr. Miller's 57 students who had previously visited the hatchery in Nov. on spawning day, had returned to see and feed the fry. Pat Barnett, Linda Snipes, myself & Amy from ODFW helped out with the fish feeding and supervised around the raceways and happily we had no swimmers.

The Water Symposium was held on April 11th and 10 CAF volunteers & 2 high school girls who had the misfortune of knowing me, served 200 4th thru 12th grade students and 50 adults a breakfast snack & lunch. Thanks to Janae Clifton, Dianne McKenzie, Joan & Jim Goodison, John Wilson, Larry Schnider, Glenn Kral, Pat Barnett, Gary Underhill, Alyssa Stalcup, Lynette Huntoon & myself, the gang served hamburgers & hot dogs, it was a fun day. The students had some great questions about the CAF display. John Weber from ODFW had some of the Indian Creek Fry in his display tanks along with some steelhead, and wouldn't you know, that darned steelhead ate one of our salmon fry, we almost had a fish fry on the spot, am I an overprotective volunteer? There were some very interesting presentations by the students like the red tide effect on mussels & students spawning steelhead, next year I'll hang around longer just to take in the presentations.

The Gold Beach Cub Scouts released 10,000 buttoned-up fry from the New Coy Creek/Cedar Valley Hatch Boxes at the beginning of April.

John Wilson & myself assisted the 7 scouts & 3 leaders with the release. The first successful release in the last 3 years, thanks to the Brookings Boy Scouts who relocated/rebuilt the hatch boxes. Boy Scout Collin Roberts used this as his "Eagle Project" one of the task he must complete to become an Eagle Scout. Job well done

CAF is in desperate need of new volunteers, we are working on having an Open House at the hatchery on May 20th, we hope to recruit some new volunteers. This is also a work in progress, more info. at the May general meeting.

Enough of my babbling, any questions please call me at 247-0396.

Chris Underhill, Volunteer Coordinator

P.S.

I worked very hard to shorten up my article, what do you think? It is hard to shut me up, even on paper.

## **General Meeting**

April 13, 2006

The meeting was called to order by President Art Kurz at 10:05 am.

President Kurz announced that an otter had been seen inside the Hatchery raceway area by Rich Watson. John Weber is waiting for Clayton Barber to return to ODFW for permission to trap the otter. He suggested we all keep watch for the animal and try to find out where he/she entered.

Art Kurz announced that our alarm company representative would be coming to the Hatchery Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am to meet with him, Tom Tostenson, Larry Schnider and John Epps to determine what our needs are. The Company will not charge for this service call, but will charge and guarantee any additional installations. He will submit an estimate in time for the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting. Larry Schnider said he would not be able to attend the Hatchery meeting.

RICH HEAP, STAC (Salmon, Trout Advisory Board) representative reported to us that our grant for signs for the Hatchery was approved. He also told us the Board was very impressed with the quality of Joan Goodison's proposals. He also told us the annual STEP conference will be celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Reedsport, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Registration will be Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, there will be a fishing tournament Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> and the conference will be all day Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup>. CAF can submit items for a silent auction to be held after the conference dinner. Jim Goodison, Chris and Gary Underhill said they had enjoyed past conferences very much.

HARVEY WRIGHT, showed everyone copies of a new logo designed by his son Paul Wright for CAF. Harvey and Sylvia are paying for the costs of the design and ordering new stationery and envelopes for our use. The membership applauded this generous gift.

ART KURZ, PRESIDENT: Asked that we explore ways to recruit new volunteers. Some of the suggestions were, news release in Curry Reporter, want ad in the Riffle, signs at the Visitor's Center and inviting people interested in volunteering to a barbecue at the Hatchery.

CHRIS UNDERHILL, VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Reported that the new information on tours were submitted to Gold Beach Visitor's Guide. Hatchery tours will be conducted by one of four volunteers starting at 10 am each day. People interested can call Chris direct or the Indian Creek RV park office.

Ten CAF volunteers served lunch to 250 children and adults at the Watershed Symposium. They also helped set up the event center, prepare the food for lunch and served morning and afternoon snacks. Chris said she finished updating the CAF display and spent most of the day fielding questions from the children attending.

There will be work parties at the Hatchery on two sunny days, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Starting at 9 am with a noon picnic. If you can, bring a wheelbarrow and a shovel.

Chris announced up and coming tours: 4/19 – Wednesday 1 pm – 60 - 2<sup>nd</sup> graders from Riley Creek. 5/11 – Thursday – 8 am til noon – 5<sup>th</sup> graders from Riley Creek celebrating NATURAL RESOURCE DAY. 6/6 – Tuesday – 2:30 to 3:35 pm, a group from Toledo School, Newport.

Chris will submit a story to Curry Reporter on the Coy Creek fry release. She is still working out a schedule for vacuuming the raceways.

TOM TOSTENSON, VICE PRESIDENT: Passed out the financial report in the absence of SUE KOPEC, TREASURER. He noted that our income was low and our expenses high and asked that all expenses over \$50. be approved by the Board.

A motion was made by Art Kurz to approve the minutes of the March General meeting and seconded by Chris Underhill. The minutes were approved.

LARRY SCHNIDER, HATCHERY CONSULTANT: Acknowledged Don and Mike Foss for all their hard work cleaning up the Hatchery.

JOHN WEBER, ODFW: Talked about how smoothly the Watershed Symposium went off. He was pleased with the CAF display and CAF members complimented him on the ODFW display.

He reminded us that May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> the R & E Board of Directors will be in Gold Beach and besides giving them a complete tour of the Hatchery area they might appreciate a day of fishing on the river. R & E granted the funds for our new dam.

John said he turned over his draft of the Hatchery and Genetic Management Plan to Glenn Krall for editing and comments. He suggested one other member of CAF should read it and comment. GLENN KRALL suggested John Wilson would be a good candidate for that job. John said next would be the Propagation Proposal.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05.

Pat Barnett, Secretary

**WANTED:** VOLUNTEERS FOR CAF. PLEASE,

LET YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS KNOW WE NEED PEOPLE TO BECOME MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEER IN ONE OR MORE OF THE MANY JOBS WE OFFER.

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Meeting Raffle:	Bud Snow
Raffle Editor:	John Lento 247-0178

## Treasure's Corner

By Sue Kopec

Treasurers Report	Feb.	Mar.
Operating Capital	\$15,249	\$14,500
Income		\$ 552
Expenses		\$ 1,302

## Hatchery Happenings

By Larry Schnider

In case you haven't noticed, we have plenty of water for the fish, as our winter is still here. We are waiting for a couple of good days to get the hatchery cleaned up and ready for tours. We have two loads of gravel to spread out and other things to do. We had an unwanted visitor in the raceways. An otter was taking stock of the fish. Hopefully it will move on, as the fish are very small.

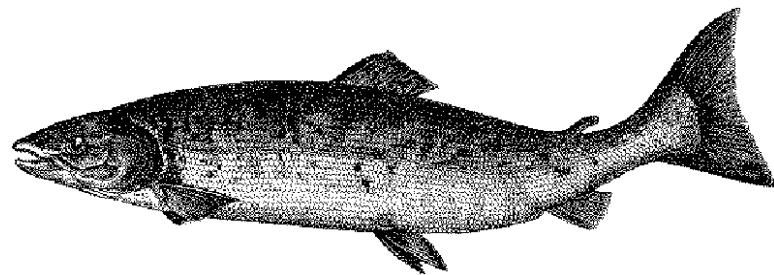
Larry Schnider, Hatchery Consultant

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## Volunteer Opportunities

Call Chris Underhill --- Volunteer Coordinator --- 247-0396

Seining for broodstock	October	Weekdays/Weekends
Spawning	Nov/Dec	Weekdays
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cleaning buckets</li> <li>• Cleaning hatchtrays</li> <li>• Fish collection</li> <li>• Assist in fertilization process</li> <li>• General cleanup</li> </ul>		
Supply Sargent (paper products, etc)	On going	
Egg sorting and counting	Dec/Jan	Weekdays
Hatchtrays monitory (D.O, Temp. Water flow)	Dec - Feb	Daily *
Fry release <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Into tributaries</li> <li>• Into raceways</li> </ul>	February	Weekdays
Fish feeding and raceway monitoring	Feb-Jul	Daily *
Vacuum raceways	Feb-Jul	Three time a week *
Net fry for tagging process	June	Weekdays - 3 days
Release smolt into Rogue River	Jul/Aug	Weekdays
General work parties – maintenance and repairs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building</li> <li>• Raceways</li> <li>• Water lines</li> <li>• Dam</li> <li>• Vault</li> <li>• Grounds</li> <li>• Feeders</li> <li>• Aerators</li> </ul>	As required	
Tours	As requested	
Raffles / Fundraisers	On going	
<b>Other opportunities</b>		
CAF Officers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President</li> <li>• Vice-President</li> <li>• Treasury</li> <li>• Secretary</li> </ul>		
CAF Board Member (five required)		
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CAF Volunteer Coordinator		
Hatchery Manager		

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